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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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IN RE LOWER MANHATTAN DISASTER SITE
LITIGATION

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GUSTAVO MENDOZA AND HADA MENDOZA,

21 MC 102 (AKH)

Civil Action No.:

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Plaintiff(s),

- against -

90 CHURCH STREET LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, ALAN
KASMAN DBA KASCO, AMBIENT GROUP, INC., ANN
TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION, BATTERY PARK CITY
AUTHORITY, BEFLOR USA GROUP, INC., BLACKMON-
MOORING-STEAMATIC CATASTOPHE, INC. D/B/A BMS
CAT, BOSTON PROPERTIES, BOSTON PROPERTIES, INC.,
BROOKFIELD FINANCIAL PROPERTIES, INC.,
BROOKFIELD FINANCIAL PROPERTIES, LP,
BROOKFIELD PARTNERS, LP, BROOKFIELD
PROPERTIES CORPORATION, BROOKFIELD
PROPERTIES HOLDINGS INC., ENVIROTECH CLEAN AIR,
INC., GPS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, INC.,
HILLMAN ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, LLC., INDOOR
ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY, INC., KASCO
RESTORATION SERVICES CO., MERRILL LYNCH & CO,
INC., NOMURA HOLDING AMERICA, INC., NOMURA
SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL, INC., STRUCTURE TONE
(UK), INC., STRUCTURE TONE GLOBAL SERVICES, INC.,
TISHMAN CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION OF
MANHATTAN, TISHMAN CONSTRUCTION
CORPORATION OF NEW YORK, TISHMAN INTERIORS
CORPORATION, TISHMAN SPEYER PROPERTIES,
TOSCORP INC., TUCKER ANTHONY, INC., VERIZON
COMMUNICATIONS, INC., VERIZON NEW YORK, INC.,

VERIZON PROPERTIES, INC., WESTON SOLUTIONS,
INC., WFP TOWER A CO., WFP TOWER A CO. G.P. CORP.,
WFP TOWER A. CO., L.P., WFP TOWER B CO. G.P. CORP.,
WFP TOWER B HOLDING CO., LP, AND WFP TOWER B.
CO., L.P.,

Defendant(s).

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COUNSELORS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that defendants, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION, as and for their responses to the allegations set forth in the Complaint by Adoption (Check-Off Complaint) related to the Master Complaint filed in the above-referenced action, hereby adopts ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's Answer to the Master Complaint dated August 8, 2007, which was filed in the matter of *In Re World Trade Center Lower Manhattan Disaster Site Litigation*, 21 MC 102 (AKH).

To the extent that ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's, Answer to the Master Complaint does not comprehensively address any of the specific allegations within the Check-Off Complaint in the above-captioned matter, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of such specific allegations.

WHEREFORE, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION demands judgment dismissing the above-captioned action as against it, together with its costs and disbursements.

Dated: New York, New York
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